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Daily dilemma of a campus paper

EDITORIAL/opinion

A glance that is too late

It is easy to articulate in hindsight about a problem and "Hearts and Minds" articulately probed the American roots of thought that got us into Vietnam. The contagious patriotism and win-at-any-cost mentality of the American mind in the first half of the 20th century unfortunately continued 20 years beyond intelligent justification.

The film pricelessly juxtaposed scenes of a Vietnam boy weeping over the loss of his

Author Craig Ambler is a senior journalism student and was a conscientious objector to the Vietnam War.

big brother, a Vietnam mother so distraught that she attempted to crawl into the grave of her son while the dirt was being replaced. Then we see General William Westmoreland telling us matter-of-factly that Asian people don't value life as highly as we do.

The thing that made it even more confusing is that Westmoreland is not a stupid or a despicable man—none of the examples in this film were: Nor the father and mother who lost a son proclaiming the virtues of Nixon (in 1973) and the integrity of war, nor the Air Force pilot who tells a full classroom of Catholic kids that the Asian landscape is beautiful if it weren't marred by the Vietnamese. They look and act like they could easily be people we would like, if they weren't uttering utter bigotry.

It would be much easier if these nice war mongers were evil and sneaky looking. We could judge the book by the cover.

In order to understand this ruddy-cheeked self righteous breed of people it is

necessary to read history and trace the stubborn and desperate people that braved the New World to practice their freedom. It is the same kind of inflexible deep sleeping in one's own immediate experience (which is brainwashing) that produces the kind of character that believes one has the word and others do not.

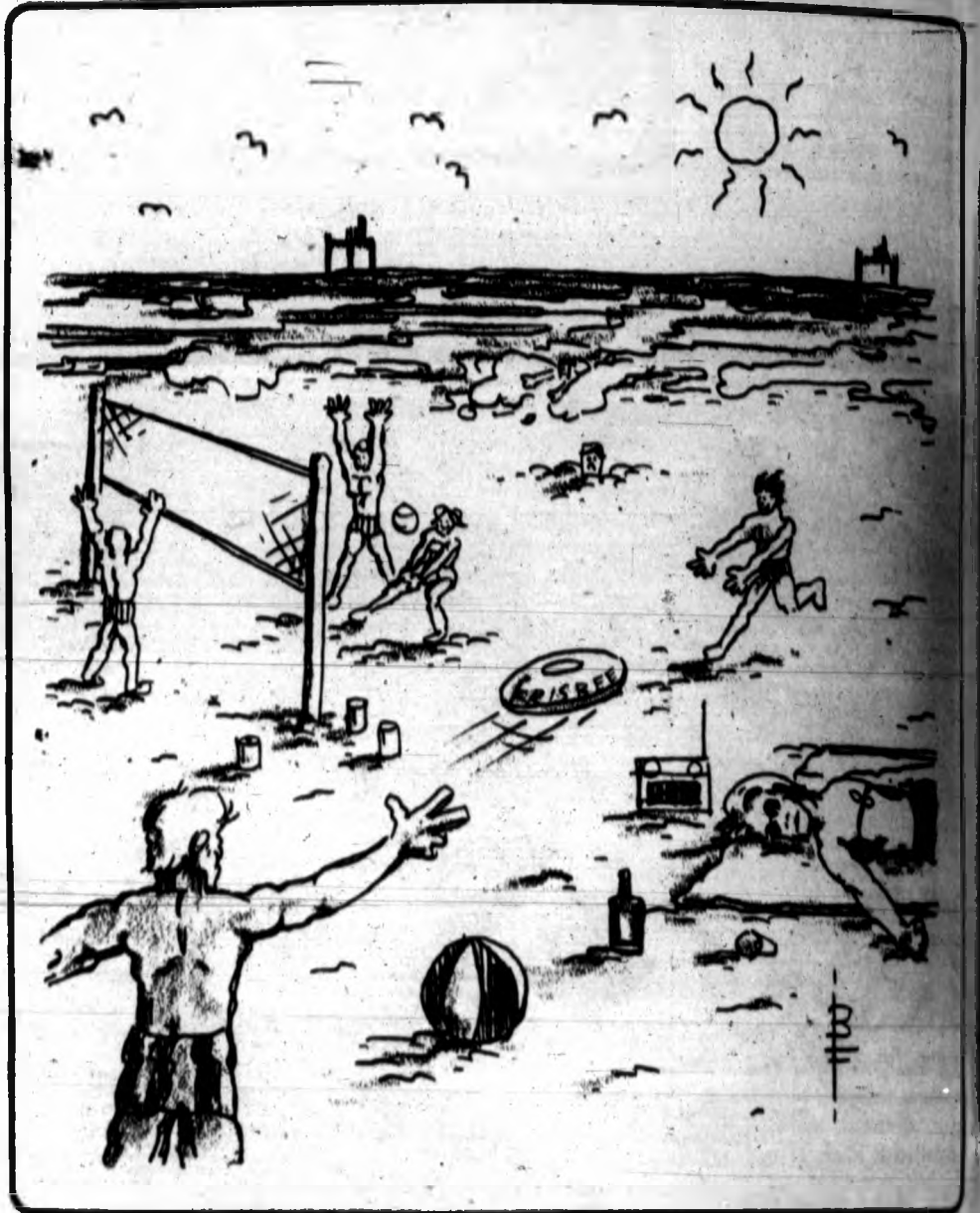
For these people, belief is an end in itself, devoid of thought. These are the people who will kill for their belief in an abstraction such as the domino theory of communism, which is one of the most brilliant and famous expositions on paranoia ever invented.

The fact is: Americans were not fighting for their independence, they were fighting for the justification of the domino theory—the North Vietnamese were fighting for their freedom, their land and their families, something that Americans used to do 200 years ago.

What can we learn from this re-iteration of sad and tired history?

I learned that foresight needs to be as articulate as hindsight. The Mothers for Peace, the anti-war and anti-nuclear energy group put on this production showing they were right about that cause. I only wish we could have had a discussion afterwards—not on the past but the present.

For instance, they're fighting against the Diablo plant. Here is a powerful money-making machine ready to engage in the hazardous enterprise of nuclear fission over a potential earthquake fault. What brilliant documentaries will come from this impatient, near-sighted attempt at profit-making in solving the present energy crisis?



OUR READERS WRITE...

Editor:

There comes a time when passive protest becomes ineffectual, when dormant resistance flowers into the active conscious as movement, as decision and as dissent. This defines concern from casual indifference, the latter overwhelming our glorious landmark of education.

It seems to be occurring more and more that as the classroom situation at Cal Poly disintegrates into a quagmire of ignorance and subjective intellectualism, into a breeding ground for apathy and social non-participation, professors are taking the initiative to transform lectures into ego rostrums of their own perverse designs.

What I am directing my anger and embarrassment toward is the institution of instructor as supreme, an attitude prevalent amongst both faculty and students. When a professor redirects the assigned lecture into a format of his or her own set of beliefs, or rehearses a speech to later be delivered at a convention at the Madonna Inn, inviting student criticism of that speech (as there are four hours before the speech is to be presented), then the educational process has taken a radical and rather ominous turn.

We, the students, are paying for the right to be in an educational environment, a place of learning (by doing?), and to be exposed to the intellectual and practical skills to plot out a lifetime. Ladies and gentlemen of the greater Cal Poly student body, we are paying for shit.

Yet, rather than objecting to this fecal onslaught in the classroom, we have conditioned ourselves to the

"uselessness" of degrees, of grades and of "college" education. Instead of correcting the problems of pointless lectures and classes, of invalid curricula and dying awareness of our state, we shine on the whole experience that education promotes. People at this university seem content to eat up the garbage served in classrooms for an easy A, than to expend precious life energies in the phenomena of "learning." The state of education is this: anything that one may "learn" out of a classroom experience, a lecture or seminar, is directly reflective on what he or she puts into the experience. No more can we sit in class, take the notes and perform the assigned tasks and expect to learn. Learning comes as a distinct process.

And this new "learning process" may well defeat the concept of a "college education."

Wayne Saroyan

Editor:

This weekend I was made aware of a problem the San Luis area has, and I don't know what to do about it.

Sitting on a Mustang Daily on my desk is a horse manure-sized lump of oil. I found it at Montana De Oro this weekend.

A friend and I went down there to check out the tidepools. The tide was pretty high, so we didn't see much, but we did notice bluish film and those special rainbows made by oil on the surface of the water. While learning about barnacles, muscles, and millusks I had to constantly remove shells and stones from my bare feet, objects that stuck there because of the oil I picked up climbing around on the rocks. As soon as

we directed our attention to the land, we noticed that it was well-splashed with oil. Lumps of the kind that is now leering at me were easy to find. My lump, appropriately enough, has part of a can in it. Most of the oil we saw was attached firmly to the rocks like Elmer's glue on a desk top.

Depressed and curious, we examined the beach. Piles of oil life in the sand like round sections of gooey fruit rolls, or black gum flattened and hot in the sun. Clumps of help are held together by the stinking stuff. Is it oil that makes the sand feel dirty?

If this is what oil does for me, I would rather have our energy system based on something else.

We wondered what per cent of land is now covered by oil. At what rate is that percentage increasing? Will our beaches be made of asphalt?

I don't want to over-dramatize because we've heard it all before, but have you seen it? How does it make you feel to know that our beaches are being covered with oil? I haven't seen an oil slick, but they must be horrible. I know the oil is affecting ocean life. I don't want it to, and I don't want it to affect me.

What can I do? What can we do?

Brick E. Bailey

Editor's note: A spokesman for the Coast Guard Port Safety Detachment in Morro Bay said that most of the oil found in the Montana De Oro area is from an oil spill of two years ago. He added that some of it is natural seepage from Santa Barbara.

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ABOUT THE COVER

Today's cover story explores the history of the Daily on page six, the first of a three-part series. (Cover photo by Betty Udesen.)

WEATHER

The forecast calls for low clouds and patchy fog in the nights and mornings, otherwise fair weather through tomorrow. Highs expected to be in the upper 50s near the ocean to the 70s inland. The lows expected to be in the 40s. Northwest winds 10-20 miles per hour.

New library detector installed

MARCIA MEIER
Staff Writer

Along with elevator construction and closing of stacks periodically at Dexter Library, students this week will be subjected to yet another change—hopefully for the better.

The library is instituting a new electronic screening

system for people leaving the library. The 3M system, manufactured by the 3M Company is very much like hijacking control systems often seen in airports.

Each of the books in the library will be treated with targets that can be sensitized and desensitized by sensitizing machines. If a stu-

dent forgets to check out a book and walks through one of two corridors rigged with electric eyes, a soft chime will go off and the gates will lock.

Dr. Norman Alexander, director of the library, said the 3M system cuts losses by about 87 per cent. But he also added "any system can be beat."

State University and Colleges system will eventually have the 3M system.

"I think this is all an advantage to the user. They can carry purses and backpacks through without us having to check them," Alexander said.

Edward Kleppinger, head of circulation in the library, said he thinks the new system will be advantageous to students.

"There will be no reason for them to stop," said Kleppinger, "and they can get out of here quicker."

False alarms are expected to go off for the first two weeks Kleppinger said, because all books checked out prior to Mar. 31 have been sensitized. Kleppinger is urging students who have checked out books before this date to bring them in to be desensitized.

"It's not going to prevent thefts," Kleppinger said, "but it's going to keep the honest students honest and will expediate them on their way."

The system was first operational last Friday but Kleppinger said there were some problems over the weekend. One of the circuits in the corridors went berserk

setting off the bells and the other circuit wouldn't work at all. Kleppinger hopes to get the system operating again by today.

"I didn't expect it to be smooth," said Kleppinger, "but I'm more concerned with student reaction."

Kleppinger said on Friday

most students expected the gates to swing open automatically and were somewhat leary of the new procedure.

"I watched them on Friday," said Alexander, "they're not used to two corridors but within a week there should be no problems."



AT THE GATES—An unidentified Cal Poly coed approaches one of two new restraining bars which are part of the library's new electronic sensing device installed Friday. (Daily photo by Dennis Steers)

Alexander said an inventory taken since 1973 has shown a loss of two and one-half to four percent of the books in the library. He also mentioned a loss of six to seven per cent of the books not inventoried since 1965. Right now Alexander estimated there is a one percent loss at Dexter library per year.

The library director said about 500 of these systems have been installed in libraries across the country.

"My own opinion is that it's the best system," said Alexander, "in about 18 months to two years it should pay for itself."

The total cost of the project will be approximately \$60,000, about \$11,000 for the sensitizing machines, \$25,000 for the treatment markers and almost \$20,000 in labor costs.

Alexander said most libraries in the California

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The justices voted to hear an appeal by many industries that the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Washington, D.C., made a mistake when it ruled that the Environmental Protection Agency has broad authority in guarding clean air.

The industry representatives claim that the strict clean-air regulations will prohibit manufacturing growth by limiting the number of new plants that can be constructed.

The regulations, if allowed to stand, could cause the nation to lose "its struggle to obtain energy self-sufficiency," the industry representatives said.

Under the 1970 Clean Air Act, some air pollution is allowed.

Amendments to the act, however, were used by the EPA to order states to protect those areas with better air quality than allowed under the act. Those areas should not be subjected to "significant deterioration," the EPA ordered.

Most of the clean-air areas are located in rural states or in states historically free of heavy manufacturing.



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SCIENCE AND ART—Dr. Grant D. Venerable at the seat of his organ. (Daily photo by Bill Faulkner)

Chemistry professor mixes the sciences with the arts

by MERRILL McCARTY
Special to the Daily

Art and science are usually thought of as being separate. The artist and the scientist are often considered opposites.

In the case of Grant D. Venerable II, however, these abilities are combined. Venerable is an Associate Professor of chemistry at Cal Poly, holds a Ph.D. in chemistry from the University of Chicago and is a painter who plays the organ and the piano.

"I've come to believe they (art and science) are both manifestations of the same thing," he said. "Part of the disadvantage of our educational system is that it's compartmentalized. In chemistry they told me to keep my music out; in music they said, 'Don't bring chemistry in here, this is a human issue,' and it was only after I left school that I was able to bring the two together."

Recently he gave an example of this combination with the pipe organ to light display accompaniment.

An audience of about 200 attended the performance in the United Methodist Church in San Luis Obispo. They saw a light display which was largely slide projections of Venerable's paintings—erie molecular structures floating against even stranger backgrounds of landscapes and stars, each slide fading and blending into the next.

The music was a combination of composers such as Boellman, Purcell, Franck and Bach and Venerable's own improvisations, including "Fanfare for Free Energy," based on the Gibbs-Helmholtz Free Energy

Equation, and "2002 A.D.," which earned Venerable a standing ovation.

Venerable, who will only describe himself as "over 30," said he has performed several times, but this was the first time he has combined music with a display. He said he required help from a friend in coordinating the slides with the music.

Venerable has a disciplined background on the keyboard, having formally studied the piano for 12 years. In 1968 he turned to the organ, an instrument he said he had always loved, and taught himself everything he knows about the instrument.

"There are advantages and disadvantages to being self-taught," he said. "The disadvantage is that you possibly don't learn all there is to know about it. The advantage is that, if you tend to be creative, you don't pick up some of the hangups. I don't want to be a conservative artist."

Venerable's own compositions are improvisations. He sits down at the organ with a theme in mind and plays his music around it. Bits and pieces of composed music might be thrown in. The result is an improvisation, and the same improvisation is never played the same way.

"I got the basic theme for 'Fanfare for Free Energy' off the radio," Venerable said. "I liked that fanfare, found out I could do it, and carried it out."

"I had the influence," he said, "of piano teachers who encouraged improvisation."

My second teacher thought that composers should be reinterpreted every hundred years.

"A Bach lover might hate me," he went on, "because I improvise on Bach. They might say his music is universal. But when I improvise the basic theme remains. The frills, the small melodies, were of his time and I try to update them, as he might play today."

"I think I understand Bach. I can interpret him."

The organ seems peculiarly suited to Venerable's outlook on things. He describes the organ as "sacred," an instrument of complementation and paradox.

He explained that, in the Bible, Jubal, a grandson of Cain, is credited with inventing the organ. Jubal wanted to play the flute and the harp at the same time, and couldn't, so he combined the two into a primitive harmonica. The two instruments, totally unlike each other, combined to form something new.

"That is just like a chemical reaction," Venerable said. "The chemicals combine and change, but the atoms remain and are conserved. The same atoms are in the new chemical, as the harp and the flute are in the organ."

Interaction and change, yet with some sort of basic ingredient remaining, seems to be what Venerable likes. The ingredients can be two chemicals, a harp and a flute or music with his own mind.

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Evolution of the Mustang dilemma

by BETSY SUSMAN
Daily Associate Editor

It can be seen decorating the flowerbeds and sidewalks of Cal Poly, scattered among the classroom desks, stuffed behind restroom fixtures and mopping up coffee in the back bar.

It is often criticized, rarely complimented and in danger of extinction.

It is—Mustang Daily.

Due to increased production costs and the traditional incongruent relationship between the front shop (journalists) and the back shop (printers) at Cal Poly, the paper may have to be revamped organizationally and financially to survive.

Often dubbed Mistake Daily, the Mustang is taken for granted by most of an estimated readership of 9,000. But at the California Intercollegiate Press Association convention held in late February, the paper was heralded as the top collegiate daily in California as it claimed first place in the General Excellence Dailies Division.

In capturing first place in the state, Mustang Daily easily outpolled such journalism powers as San Jose State (second place), University of Southern California, UCLA and San Diego State.

The Daily provides the campus community with a means of communication and information while offering students a learning device with no administrative strings attached.

The current Mustang Daily dilemma has its roots in the haphazard evolution of campus publications and printing systems.

According to Fred Genthner, head of special collections at the library, the first publication at Poly was the Polytechnic Journal in 1906. The Journal was published once a month, with the June issue serving as a yearbook.

It was paperbound, notebook-size magazine with ads, pictures and a "more literary, flowery style" than today's writing said Genthner. In 1908 the Journal went quarterly and in 1912, yearly as an annual until 1926.

Overlapping the Journal, the Polygram was established in 1916 as an eight-by-ten-inch mimeographed newspaper. In 1921, the Polygram expanded to a printed tabloid chronicle of campus and community news.

From 1932 until 1938 there was no campus newspaper due to the depression and other problems caused by the educational reorganization of Poly.

In 1927, El Rodeo yearbook was established and continued publication until 1971 when financial woes forced its cancellation. Outpost appeared in 1972 as a yearbook and varied in form as a feature-type magazine. It folded in September, 1976.

In 1938, the El Mustang newspaper began printing. Publication was suspended during World War II when Mustang Roundup was published monthly with President Robert E. Kennedy, then a journalism instructor, as advisor. Mustang Roundup reflected the Naval influence at Poly during the war.

From 1945-44 there was a Naval Flight Preparatory School here with a separate curriculum. From 1944-46, a Naval Academic Refresher Unit offered courses in the Poly curriculum for servicemen.)

El Mustang resumed publication in 1946. In a recent interview, Kennedy said at that time, the paper was written and printed by students who were interested in newspapers. There were no printing or journalism departments and all publications were extracurricular activities.

Kennedy said that in 1940, student printers were paid 55 cents an hour under the National Youth Administration, formed to provide jobs and money for students. Editorial positions on the paper were not paid.

When the Printing department was formed in 1946-47, Kennedy said an itinerant type-setter from Pasadena was hired and came to Poly on Wednesdays to set type.



Spiraling costs have finally threatened the future of the Mustang Daily.

The paper was printed free by printing students who received credit in their major. Kennedy said when the Printing department needed equipment, the Mustang bought it and in return was not charged for printing.

"It was a reciprocal agreement," said Kennedy. According to John Healy, a journalism instructor here since 1947, the relationship between the journalists and printers was "close knit...one big family." The paper was "sort of one big project."

Through the years the teamwork between printers and journalists ceased as the two joined separate leagues.

The Journalism department was formed in 1951, but the newspaper remained under the auspices of Associated Students, Inc. As the paper has remained basically a laboratory for journalism majors, the production aspect has

become a fully-developed business under the Cal Poly Foundation.

The newspaper, renamed Mustang Daily in 1967, is now printed by University Graphic Systems. Employees of UGS are paid minimum wage or higher.

Editorial positions on the Daily are now paid on a salary basis, but staff reporters receive only credit (up to six units) and some of Gov. Edmund G. Brown, Jr.'s "psychic income" (intangibles rewards).

As Kennedy pointed out, journalists receive no more psychic income than printers or anyone else.

"Journalism is a job, too," he said.

Now, increased costs of printing, the inequity of a laboratory situation vs. UGS and debts from other campus publications (Outpost, Hindenberg) have combined to place a financial stranglehold on the Daily.

Editor's note: Tomorrow's article in this series will explore specific financial dilemma facing the Daily, and Friday, the conclusion will outline the options before the Daily and the chances for its survival.

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Poly ties for league lead

The Cal Poly volleyball team played animalistic last Saturday night as it destroyed Cal State Northridge, 15-8, 15-7 and 15-13 before an uncharacteristically rabid San Luis Obispo crowd.

The win put the Mustangs in a tie for the California Collegiate Volleyball Conference lead with the Matadors and set the stage for a showdown in the league tournament later this month in Northridge.

Poly was led by the impeccably accurate setting of senior captain Steve Bartlett who in the words of third year coach, Ken Preston, set a "superb and intelligent game."

"Bartlett mixed his sets well" said Preston. "Northridge didn't know where he was setting." Preston said Bartlett had plenty of players to set as all five starting hitters were in top form.

Rick Hauser, Nat Keime, Linden Crow, and Ron Espinosa had 15, 14, 12 and 11 kills respectively.

Keime and Espinosa were particularly effective on the outside. Keime, playing in his last home game, closed out his three year career in style as he had eight kills in

eight attempts in the second game of the match.

Espinosa was just as effective on the other side as the lanky southpaw played his finest game in his short Cal Poly career.

"Everybody played excellent in that second game against Northridge" said Preston. "It was probably our finest game of the year. We had a kill percentage of 62 which is outstanding."

Preston said the key to Saturday night's victory was establishing a potent middle attack early in the match. "Hauser and Paul Garriel were there when we needed them and that sucked the Northridge block into the middle which opened up our outside game" said Preston.

The Mustangs now own a 7-1 league record and they have two league games remaining with UC Riverside and Cal State Dominguez, who are weak and weaker, respectively.

This Thursday and Friday Poly travels to Stanford and Cal Berkeley to take on the Cardinals and Bears. Both teams have beaten the Mustangs earlier in the year at San Luis Obispo.



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Mustangs make clean sweep of Broncos

by CORKY BRITTON
Daily Staff Writer

There is a time for defense, a time for power, and a time for good pitching. That time turned out to be Saturday afternoon as the Mustang baseball team put it all together to sweep a doubleheader from defending NCAA Division II champs Cal Poly Pomona 7-3 and 2-0.

The power came from Danny Gans with a two-run home run in the first inning of the opener, and Joe Budiselich added two more homers later in the day. The first was a three-run shot to left field with two runners on base, and the second came in the sixth inning of the second game that raised the Mustangs' record to 27-11.

All afternoon the Mustangs kept Pomona in line as the infield combination of Ozzie Smith, Mike Felig and Tom Laaspina converted three double plays to thwart any opposing threat.

The pitching of Dave Pencille and Mike Ferris in the first game held Pomona to three runs on 10 hits. Doug O'Brien pitched his second consecutive shutout as he fired a five-hitter in the nightcap. His last outing was against Chapman College, shutting them out 5-0 on a two-hitter.

In the first game, the Mustangs went out in front 2-0 when Tom Beyers walked and scored on Gans' home run. The lead was stretched to 5-0 in the third when Felig singled, followed by a single by Beyers, a wild pitch by Pomona pitcher Rick Schwenn, and a sacrifice fly by Gans.

Pomona tied the game in the fifth as Pencille walked Darrell Miller, Scott Pyle singled and Kevin McLean hit a two-run triple and scored on a wild pitch.

Gans started off the sixth inning with a ground rule double that bounced over the fence, hit a light pole and bounced back on the field, which appeared to have been for extra bases. But the base umpire quickly held up two fingers, stopping Gans at second.

Paul Desjarlais was intentionally walked, so Schwenn

could get at Gary Wilburn for a possible force play. The plan backfired as Wilburn was hit by the pitch, loading the bases. Laaspina grounded out to second, scoring Gans, setting the stage for Budiselich's three-run homer. He wasted no time, sending the first pitch over the fence for a 7-5 Mustang lead.

O'Brien got all the scoring he needed in the first inning when Smith led off with a single and stole second. Beyers followed with a single and Smith scored on a double by Gans. Beyers tried to score, but was thrown out at the

plate. As Desjarlais was up to bat, Gans was picked off of second base to retire the side.

Budiselich again made it the sixth inning as he lashed the pitch over the fence to left center for his second home run of the day and fifth of the season.

Today the Mustangs beat Long Beach State in a tough doubleheader at San Luis Obispo Stadium. Tomorrow they travel to Fresno to beat the Bulldogs, and then have a noon doubleheader here against Cal State Northridge. Prices are \$1.25 for general admission and 50 cents for students.

Tracksters win big

Capturing 16 out of a possible 19 firsts, the Cal Poly men's track team demolished Cal State Bakersfield 124-52 last Saturday to up their dual meet record to 2-1.

The Roadrunners put their namesake to shame as they took only the shotput, the long jump, and the triple jump. The Mustangs, meanwhile, owned the rest of the meet, shutting out Bakersfield in eight events. Coach Steve Miller didn't put much stock in his team's win.

"Bakersfield, besides having a fairly weak team to begin with," said Miller, "had several of their athletes missing or injured. Our individual and team perfor-

mances suffered as a result of little or no competition. We did, however, have many fine efforts considering the type of meet it turned out to be.

Bert Williams returned to action after being sidelined with a pulled muscle to lead the way in the 400 meter intermediate hurdles. The All-American clocked 56.9 seconds to win, his second place teammate Corey Miller by three and a half seconds.

High hurdler Pete Godinez also returned to action for Poly and came off a hamstring injury to place second in the 110 meter high hurdles, clocking 16 seconds flat. Miller earned first place in the event with his 16.2 time.

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SPORTS

Special Olympics: There are no losers in this ballpark

By SCOTT CRAVEN
Daily Sports Editor

If you walked into Cran-
ford Gym last Friday morn-
ing you would have seen a
gymnastics workshop in
progress. Children of many
ages were practicing on gym-
nastic apparatuses—high
bars, the low horse and the
balance beam. In the middle
of the gym were youngsters
performing feats such as
forward and backward rolls
and cartwheels. All this was
plainly evident.

The only thing you might
not have noticed was that all

the participants were mental-
ly retarded.

About 60 mentally han-
dicapped children from
various schools around San
Luis Obispo were taking ad-
vantage of the workshop in
preparation of the Special
Olympics. The regional
competition will take place
April 29 at San Luis Obispo
Senior High School, and it is
one of the many regionals
being held in the state. Last
year the Special Olympics
involved over 500,000
youngsters throughout the
nation.

There are several reasons
that the Olympics are impor-
tant to the children.

"First of all it gets them
into the community," said
Frank Bush, the area coor-
dinator of the event. "They
learn new experiences as
they're streamlined into com-
munity living."

"The physical con-
ditioning and the competi-
tion also do them good.
They've always had defeat
after defeat, but with the
program they start to feel
good about themselves."

The Olympics not only
helps the children, but also
the community.

Some of the retarded
children participating had
had previous training, which
was evident as the workshop
progressed. Some executed
somersaults and cartwheels,
while others had trouble
with forward rolls. But all
those involved shared one
common trait—eagerness to
learn.

"The community becomes
aware that those with a han-
dicap are not that different,"
said Bush. "All they need is
some training and they can
become very good at
something they want to do."

"I'm really surprised,"
said Nancy Bethel, one of the
20 or so Cal Poly volunteers
from a gymnastics or recre-
ation class. "You'd think they
would just stand around and
not do anything. But they're
really enthusiastic."

Nancy Perry, the organizer
of the workshop, agreed.

"They're really easy to
work with," said Perry.
"They're happy to do
anything."

How did Perry get in-
volved in the clinic?

"Last year I coached three
girls in the gymnastics com-

petition," said Perry. "I
became known by those who
organized the olympics, and
when the county coordinator
moved, I fell into the job. I'm
glad, though, since this
workshop turned out so well.
From last year's three to this
year's group is really
something."

But Perry had to overcome
many obstacles to get the
workshop set up.

"That was the only disap-
pointment, all the forms we
had to fill out," said Perry.
"They (the audio-visual
department) lost our projec-
tion reservation form and we
really had to scream to get
one, but we got one."

The children are partic-
ipating under the Special
Olympics Anthem, "How far
is far, how high is high, we'll
never know until we try."
And they are always trying,
even if sometimes they don't
succeed.

"That's what's really great
about this competition," said
Vicki Tolley, the co-
ordinator and a teacher of
the mentally handicapped.
"The kids are always giving
their best, and they keep im-
proving."

Tolley notices some
significant differences
between the competition of
retarded children and the
competition of normal children.

"I remember watching my
niece in a swimming meet,"
said Tolley. "She was swim-
ming the last leg but her team
was way behind. But still she
swam her hardest even
though the rest of the team
were in. When she finished
nobody even helped her out
of the pool."

"You never see that here.
No matter how you do you
are always congratulated. It's

not a blood and guts thing
and that's really beautiful."

The sense of comradeship
was evident when one of the
competitors finished a floor
exercise to show the others
how to do it. After she was
done she was greeted on the
sidelines with hugs and
praise from her companions.

Three Poly employees, who
took their lunch hour off to
watch the proceedings, were
so touched by the display of
the youngsters that they
wanted to volunteer to help
during the Special Olympics
April 29.

"The workshop was ex-
cellent," said one of the
prospective volunteers, ac-
counting employee Valerie
Steinmann. "I was impressed
by the love and tenderness
shown by the volunteers."

One such volunteer was
Becky Puckett.

"I didn't know what was
going to happen today," said
Puckett, "but I was surprised
at how well they performed.
They're a lot more coor-
dinated than I thought. I'm
glad I came out."


Apparently the other
volunteers were glad they
came out too, if their display
at the end of the workshop
was any indication.

As the youngsters conclud-
ed the day with the singing of

their Olympic anthem, the
volunteers quickly joined in.
A sense of mutual understand-
ing pervaded the at-
mosphere as for the first time
everybody joined together,
and the line between those
who were retarded and those
normal was lessened.



ENJOYING ALONG with Nancy Perry and Vicki Tolley
are the mentally retarded children participating in the
Special Olympics. (Daily photo by Dennis Steers)



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SPORTS SHORTS

Their season record slipping to six wins and seven losses, the Cal Poly men's tennis squad dropped two of three matches in a round-robin tournament last weekend at the University of California Santa Barbara.

The Mustangs top three singles men took only three sets and one match against their opponents from Claremont-Mudd, UCSB, and Southwestern.

The Poly netters were defeated by Claremont-Mudd 6-4 and by UCSB 6-3. They prevailed against Southwestern 6-3, as Craig Parson, Ron Berryhill and Jasper VanSolinge swept Southwestern's fourth, fifth and sixth singles men.

The Mustang Netmen will travel to California State University Northridge this weekend to participate in a NCAA round-robin tournament.

Poly's women's tennis team fared a little better as they split a weekend series, losing to Northridge State 6-1, but bouncing back to defeat Los Angeles 6-3.

Cal Benta started things off for the Mustangs Saturday with a 6-0, 6-1 shellacking of opponent Madalyn Shadball.

As the women Poly tracksters continue to fall upon hard times, their season was brightened by the performances of distance runner Maggie Keyes.

In the Mustangs' loss to Cal State Los Angeles Friday in a dual meet, Keyes ran a 4:30.4 in the 1500 meters. This not only broke the

school record of 4:33 set by Jani Rouda, but was also five seconds under the qualifying standard for the American Intercollegiate Women's Athletic National Championships.

Keyes will join Rouda as Poly's only representatives at the Championships held May 19 and 20 at UCLA.

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International

Russia welcomes Castro

MOSCOW (AP)—Top Soviet leaders welcomed Cuban President Fidel Castro on a visit expected to deal with ways to aid black nationalists fighting white minority governments in southern Africa.

Castro arrived Monday at Moscow's Vnukovo Airport, used for important visitors, after an African tour and a brief stop in East Germany. He was hugged at the airport by Soviet President Nikolai V. Podgorny, 74, who had returned from his own African tour earlier the same day.

Also present were Communist party leader Leonid I. Brezhnev, Premier Alexei N. Kosygin and Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko, underlining the importance of the visit.

Both Podgorny and Castro, during their African trips, called for a quick end to white-minority government in Rhodesia and South Africa.

National

Island wants to secede

NANTUCKET, Mass. (AP)—Islanders angered by mainland control of their political well-being voted Monday in a non-binding referendum on whether to secede from the state of Massachusetts.

Although many voters said they figured actual secession was improbable, it was hard to find anyone against the idea.

Senator needs Carter's support

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Russell B. Long, who will lead the floor fight for Senate passage of President Carter's tax rebate plan, said Thursday that the rebate will be defeated unless Carter drums up additional support for it.

"If the vote were taken today, the rebate would lose," Long, a Louisiana Democrat, said in an interview.

In addition, Long predicted that Carter would veto any economic stimulus bill that substituted a permanent tax cut for the \$50 rebate he proposed as a means of giving a quick boost to the economy.

State

DMV's new proposals

SACRAMENTO (AP)—A wide range of changes in auto registration and licensing, from seven-letter personal license plates to a possible gasoline surtax, is being recommended by the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Of the 25 proposals from a DMV advisory panel, probably the most radical is a change in the way the state collects annual registration fees from drivers.

Instead of collecting the average \$25 fees once a year, the DMV is suggesting two alternate ways to save money: Collect the fees once every two years, or collect it through a tax at the gas pump.

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The Navy Officer Information Team will be administering the test on Wednesday, April 6 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 138 of the Ag Bldg and on Thursday, April 7 at 8:00 a.m. in the conference room of Sierra Madre Hall. Tests will be scored as soon as you finish, and an officer will be available to discuss the various programs you might want to consider.

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NEWSCOPE

Poly Phase

Poly Phase Book Exchange will be handing out checks and—or books from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Thursday, April 7. Bring receipt and I.D. to the Mustang Lounge.

Soap box derby

Entry deadline for the 6th Annual Poly 500 Soap Box Derby is today. The derby is a race for gravity-powered cars down a one-half mile course on campus. Entry fee is \$10. Applications are available in the U.U. Activities office.

Students needed

Students are needed to help senior citizens learn the bus route in San Luis Obispo. Senior citizens who are afraid to ride the bus need students who will spend a couple hours riding with them on the routes. Drop by the Student Community Services office in U.U. 109 for more information.

Skydiving Club

There will be a monthly Skydiving Club Meeting at 8 p.m. on Wed., April 6, for anyone interested in skydiving as a sport. Come talk to people who have actually made parachute jumps. The meeting will be in room 221 of the agriculture building.

Passover dinner

The Jewish Student Union is putting on a traditional Passover Seder at 6 p.m. on Saturday, April 9. The dinner will include the Passover service and will be held at Congregation Beth David, 2932 Augusta Ave., S.L.O. Everyone is welcome. Admission is \$5.

Rummage sale

A semi-annual rummage sale sponsored by "Pet Rescue" will be held all day Saturday, April 9 in the Safeway parking lot. Please round up all saleable items and call Rick at 464-4984 or Kay at 438-5094 for our truck to make a pick-up. If possible, bring items to the general meeting on Wednesday, April 6, at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at 1165 McCullum, S.L.O.

SAC vacancies


Two students from the school of Engineering and Technology are needed to fill a vacancy on the Student Affairs Council which meets 7 p.m. on Wednesdays in U.U. 220. Interested persons should attend the Engineering and Technology Council meetings on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in room 220 of the U.U. or call the ASI office at 546-1284 for more information.

Kwon-Do Club

All Cal Poly students interested in learning the Korean martial art of self-defense are welcome to the initial membership meeting of the Tae Kwon-Do Club. The instructor will answer any questions concerning Tae Kwon-Do training. The meeting will be held 8 p.m. on Wednesday, April 6, in the Crandal Gym Annex.

Alpha Zeta

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